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AMENDMENT

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Sir :

In response to the Office Action mailed December 18, 2002, Applicants respectfully submit the following remarks:

REMARKS

Claims 10-22 are rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Carli et al. (US 5,275,824) and Dunn et al. (US 4,308,251) in view of Ghanta et al. (US 5,814,332).

Applicants respectfully traverse this ground of objection.

The present invention, as defined in claim 10, relates to coated particles of granulated microcrystals of ibuprofen, wherein, the coating consists of a mixture comprising:

- from 5 to 10% by weight of ethyl cellulose based on ibuprofen